12/2/68

Dear Paul,

Please excuse my delay in sending you what I know you want. It is simply that I have been so snowed under since my return, which was delayed by the need for returning unexpectedly to New Orleans. I am now preparing to go there again, which complicates my life and extracts other requirements.

By now you should have received copies of the FBI reports on Penabex. They should tell you, at the very least, that he is not a dependable man. Hopefully, this also included some reports on a Rev. Fowler, of whom I have no independent knowledge. If you want or need more, on my return I will have what there may be on a tape I am getting of his appearance with Alan Courtney, and I have a half-dozen copies of his publication. Several more are on the way to me. I enclose a brief memo also.

On Bringuier, where my file is extensive, I have included a clipping that, I think, tells you the kind of man he is, to defend a bomber as a "patriot". If you want more, on my return I will copy all the FBI reports I have. He was involved with Oswald in a way that may not yet be absolutely clear but one that leaves no doubt he was aware of what was going on in New Orleans and was his own kind of part of it. He lied to the Warren Commission. Although not a lawyer, I think it was perjury. I can prove conflicting testimony was altered to shield this perjury.

Also enclosed is an ad for the film based on the book of which I gave you three pages. I am trying to get the fourth and a printed copy so your file will be complete. It was not shown as advertised. I have been following this up for you. When it did not arrive as scheduled, the Los Angeles sponsors phoned the man with whom they had been dealing in Paris. He said he would take a plane and hand deliver it the next day. That would have been the fifth anniversary of the assassination. They have not seen him since, nor have they been able to reach him by phone. A check I cannot authenticate convinces someone in whose judgement in the past I have had confidence that this man may, indeed, be connected with French intelligence. Perhaps we can now expect a lurid account of his "mysterious disappearance" with his "irreplaceable" film? In any event, I will try and keep you posted. If there is news, I will get in by phone in N.O. and will phone you from there. I will be in touch with Garrison's office almost daily, if there is anything you would like of me while I am there. I leave 12/4, will be there a week or so.

Sorry - haven't been able to act faster or in more detail. Just ask if you want more and as soon as I can after my return I will send it. I assume you could not get what I asked of you and this is why I haven't heard. I did not get the knowledge from other sources, wither.

Hope you all have a good holiday season.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg